

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

BRITTANY MAYO

v.

SALLIE MAE AND NAVIENT

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Civil No. – JFM-15-1589

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**MEMORANDUM**


Defendants have brought this motion to compel arbitration. The motion will be granted.

Two of the four promissory notes for private student loans signed by plaintiff included an arbitration clause. The clause was prominent, and the claim in this case filed well within its terms. Federal law strongly favors the arbitration of disputes, *see Marmet Health Care Ctr. v. Brown*, 132 S. Ct. 1201 (2012), and the three arbitration agreements must be in force pursuant to the Federal Arbitration Act.

As noted above, only three of the four promissory notes signed by plaintiff contained arbitration clauses. Nevertheless, it is not in the interest of the parties or the public to have parallel proceedings pending involving the same dispute. Accordingly, this matter will be stayed in its entirety and administratively closed.

A separate order granting defendants' motion to compel arbitration and to stay action is being entered herewith.

Date: 3/11/16

  
J. Frederick Motz  
United States District Judge

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